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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6383

BILL NUMBER: SB 98

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 14, 2009

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Mental Health Medicaid Quality Advisory Committee.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lawson C

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes the Mental Health Medicaid Quality Advisory Committee as a permanent committee to advise the Drug Utilization Review Board. (Under current law, the Mental Health Quality Advisory Committee expires June 30, 2009.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill permanently establishes the Mental Health Medicaid Quality Advisory Committee. This will not increase state expenditures as the Mental Health Quality Advisory Committee already exists in Indiana Administrative Code, but will be a continuance of expenditures to provide per diem reimbursement and travel reimbursement to Committee members. The bill will also maintain the current workload of the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) to staff the Committee. Expenditures will depend on the costs to staff the Committee as well as the reimbursement requests from Committee members.

Background Information: The Mental Health Quality Advisory Committee formerly employed a court reporter to transcribe meeting minutes. These expenditures were paid by Medicaid and have since been discontinued. No appropriations were made for the committee in the last biennium. Expenditures are paid out of the Medicaid Administration account. However, OMPP reports that committee members have not been reimbursed for mileage and attendance. OMPP suggests this may be attributed to a lack of communication that travel expenses are reimbursable to committee members.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: OMPP.

Local Agencies Affected:

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